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REMARKS

Claims 6, 7 and 16 were found allowable if rewritten in independent form. The Applicant respectfully expects the Examiner intended to mean 6, 7, 15 and 16 as claims 6 and 15 share identical limitations. In any event, the recognized allowable limitations of claim 6 have been amended into independent claims 1, 11, and 18. The respective claims that either originally contained this limitation or contained limitations contradictory thereto have been cancelled. The Applicant therefore submits that all claims are no in condition for allowance.

With this response, it is respectfully submitted that all rejections and objections of record have been overcome and that the case is in condition for allowance.

Should the Examiner have any questions or comments, he is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

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